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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Please amend the subject patent application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please add new Claims 2-40 as set forth below.

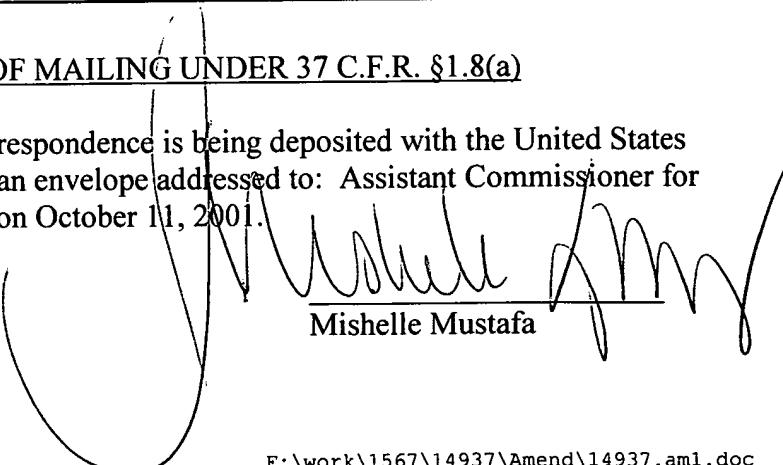
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CONT'D*  
2. A method of distributing recorded digital data to consumers, comprising:

under authority of content providers, delivering digital data recorded in a tangible medium to a group of distribution agents;

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